Decatur County Board of Education
August 15, 2019
6 PM WORK SESSION

Keith Lyle, School Board Chairman
Tim Cochran, School Superintendent
The Decatur County Board of Education met for its regular monthly meeting on August 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Decatur County Schools Support Center. Members present were Mr. Winston Rollins, Vice-Chairman, Mr. Bobby Barber, Mr. Eric Worthington, Mr. Kelvin Bouie, Sr., and Mr. Mike Conder. Mr. Keith Lyle, Board Chairman, was absent.

Mr. Winston Rollins called the meeting to order. Superintendent Tim Cochran gave the invocation.

Ms. Stephanie Darley from Hutto Middle School gave the monthly inspiration-Slide Presentation-“REASONS WHY I LIKE HUTTO!”

Mr. Rollins requested a motion to adopt the agenda. Mr. Bouie made a motion to accept the agenda. Mr. Barber gave a second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bouie made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Mr. Worthington made the second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

SPECIAL RECOGNITION and PRESENTATIONS: None

SUPERINTENDENT COCHRAN’S REPORT

- Student Enrollment Update-Student enrollment down by approximately 275 students equating to about $1.7 million in funding losses. Data will be tracked relating to the number of students attending the new Charter School versus other reasons for decline in enrollment.
- Construction Update and Draft of Parking Lot for Centennial Field-The plans are to prepare a 600 space parking lot. City will work to ensure certain streets are blocked during home games. Tailgating will be provided on back side of parking lot.
- Updates on Funding for PSE HVAC Project- An additional $250,000 was requested and has been approved to assist with the project. The designated amount will be deducted from entitlement money. Footing for transportation project has been poured.
- Board Member Training Date- September 16, 2019. Mr. Paul Shaw will conduct the training. Meeting will start at 5 p.m. to cover local board information. Training will follow the local session.
- GSBA Sessions- Thursday and Friday, December 5th-6th. Board members will need to notify Superintendent Cochran if they plan to attend so he can make room accommodations.
INFORMATION ITEMS:
I. Administrative Services Report:

A. Financial: Tim Matthew, CFO- reported 100% of year expended, the district operated 4% under budget. The SPLOST was 10.3% difference in this year’s collections versus last year change over the same period of time. SPLOST collected was $441,662.00

B. School Food Service: Mrs. Debbie Purcell, SFS Director reported with 100% of year completed, the SFS operated with 86% expenses. SFS is serving students breakfasts and lunches. The year is off to a great start.

C. Curriculum and Instruction: Dr. April Aldridge reported the district has provided each student with a technology device. She emphasized the work taking place with the gifted program (QUEST). She also reported on Teaching and Learning Focus (Non-Negotiables), Professional Learning, and the 2019-20 New Resources. She provided all the board members a handout detailing the work of the district.

D. Federal Programs: Mr. Chip Davis reported the Comprehensive LEA Plan is approved. Title meetings are being conducted as required by ESSA. Title II Part A and Migrant Programs will take a small budgeting hit. Cross Functional Monitoring is forthcoming for all the title programs.

F. Technology: Mr. Steve Dunn reported more than 550 viewers watched graduation through the Streaming Process. The 5-year Erate process is coming to an end. HMS will be the starting point for new access points. Several other schools will also benefit from the leftover funding.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Recommended Approval Overnight/Out of State Field Trips. Motion made by Mr. Barber and a second by Mr. Bouie to approve overnight and out-of-state field trips. The motion was unanimous.

2. Recommended approval of 2019-2020 21st Century Sub Grantee in the amount of $350,000 for STEM Blasters & Beyond. Motion made by Mr. Bouie and a second by Mr. Worthington. The motion was unanimous.

3. Recommended the approval of the tax mileage rate. Motion made by Mr. Bouie and a second by Mr. Barber. Motion was unanimous.

4. Recommended the approval to surplus transportation vehicles. Motion was made by Mr. Conder and a second by Mr. Bouie. Motion was unanimous.
5. Recommended the approval of CTAE Perkins Grant. Motion was made by Mr. Barber and a second given by Mr. Bouie. Motion was unanimous.

6. Recommended the approval of the local board training dates. Motion was made by Mr. Bouie and a second given by Mr. Worthington. Motion was unanimous.

7. Recommended the approval of the Centegix Crisis Alert System. Motion was made by Mr. Barber and a second given by Mr. Bouie. Motion was unanimous.

8. Recommended the approval of personnel striking recommendation #11 (Susan Glisson) from the recommendation packet. A motion was made by Mr. Bouie and a second was given by Mr. Worthington. Motion was unanimous.

Mr. Rollins called a motion for the meeting to adjourn with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Mr. Barber made the motion a second given by Mr. Bouie. Motion was unanimous.